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## SALEM COUNTY AWARD RECIPIENT FROM PUBLIC ARCHIVES AND RECORDS INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT (PARIS) GRANT

(SALEM, NJ) – Freeholder Bruce L. Bobbitt today announced that the Salem County Office of Archives and Records Management will receive a special recognition award at the third annual Public Archives and Records Infrastructure Support (PARIS) Awards for Excellence for aiding in the development of the automated Records Retention and Disposition Management System (RRDMS, nicknamed Artemis). Salem County provided procurement activities for the system's development and assisted in pilot testing. The award ceremony will be held on Tuesday, September 29, 2009, Assembly Chambers, New Jersey State House.

"We are very proud that our Office of Archives and Records Management is leading the way in improving local government archives and records management functions," said Freeholder Bobbitt. "Alloway Township participated in the pilot program for Artemis. Their municipal clerk was trained and all requests for records disposal were completed."

The ceremony's nine award categories recognize county and municipal grant recipients who have done especially outstanding work in building and improving the infrastructure of their local government archives and records managements functions during the PARIS program's third year, 2007-2008. The New Jersey Division of Archives and Records Management (NJDARM) selected winners based on information summarized from the original grant application, interim reports and completion reports.

"Salem County is also a nominee in the three categories of Shared Services, Records Management Website and County Enterprise-wide Imaging System." said Freeholder Bobbitt.". "This award and nominations recognize the fine work that is being done in Salem County."

"It is important to note that Monmouth and Warren Counties will also receive awards at the ceremony," said Curt Harker, Record Manager. "We feel, with these awards, that we have accomplished a significant partnership with the State of New Jersey."

The PARIS Grants Program, which began in 2005, is to improve the management and preservation of public records emphasizing shared services and allows more public access to those documents. The New Jersey Division of Archives and Records Management administers the program with details available at <a href="https://www.njarchives.org/links/paris.html">www.njarchives.org/links/paris.html</a>.